GAS COMPANY WINS ITS CASE AGAINST STATE

Federal Court Holds That the Cases Are Removable.

It Can and Will Try the Issues UN Involved.

THE OPINION IS UNANIMOUS

Injunction Proceedings Are Taken Up at Once.

The Company Will Seek an Immediate Decision.

Kansas City, Kan., April 26.—Federal court Judges today decided

Washington, April 26.—A statement defining the attitude of the United States toward armed merchant ships was made public today by the state department, at direction of President Wilson. It originally was prepared as a circular note to other powers but it was later decided to issue it as a state-

blic utilities commission on every it issue touching the natural gas a merchant ship to arm for protection only but declares, "that merchantmen which have used their armaments for a was removable and that the feduciar could and would try the structure of the same hospitality in neutral ports as peaceable armed merchantmen." ast the state of Kansas and the ment with Judge Sanborn in the case ,con-

see sinvolved in a suit to restrain encomment of a 28 cent rate order by Kansas utilities commission. The statement treats at length of those Campbell and Booth, sitting th Judge Sanborn in the case contract in the opinion. The decision by Judge Sanborn follows the difficulties in status and sums them up as follows:

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AND ATER B which they propose to submit by which they propose to submit by hite's and affidavits, they will seek to establish their claim that the gas rate is conflicatory and is in no manner compensatory in view of existing ex-pense for producing gas and delivering fuel to Kansas and Missouri towns. The issue at this time involves only Kansas towns. Missouri towns af-fected by the case have been given un-

It is probable that the taking of testimony before the federal judges will be concluded late Thursday afternoon. The gas company will seek an immediate decision. Should their application for an injunction be granted, they will at once apply for a higher

The judges gave two reasons for their ruling, which supports the contention of the receiver.

First—That the court never relinquished its control of the property to the state receiver who was given control under appointment of state court, this being acquiesced in by the federal court, and the receiver not only had the right but was bound by duty to seek redress in the federal court if he thought it necessary.

right to appeal to a competent court and the federal court was competent.

John Landon, receiver, seeks to raise the gas rate to 37 cents, it is charged.

The hearing on the order of the Missouri public service commission to set the price at 45 cents in St. Joseph was set for May 22 at St. Paul. The Missouri board and the Missouri cities interested will keep their representatives at the Kansas City, Kan., hearing with the right to interpose objections and take part in the argument. The hearing may take another week.

NEW GERARD MESSAGE

Reaches Capital, Contents Secret-German Answer by Saturday.

Washington, April 26.—Secretary Lansing announced late today he had received Ambassador Gerard's report of his conference with von Bethmam-Holiweg, the German imperial chan-celier, and said it was brief.

"I can say nothing about it," was Lansing's only comment. Lansing's only comment.

Berlin, April 26 .- The German answer to the American note may not be expected before the end of the

Captive, Lopez Wounded,
Toreon, April 26.—Pable Lopez, the
Vills lieutenant captured recently near
Sania Ysabel, was taken a prisoner to
Chihuahua by General Barrios. Lopez
is wounded in both legs. He says he
knows nothing of Villa's whereabouts
or whether he is dead or alive.

New York Money Market.

New York April 20. MONEY Mercantile paper. 20134 per cent. Sterling do
day bills. 4.435. demand. 4.7045 cables.
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Marks, demand. 744; cables. 7445. Kronen,
demand. 125; cables. 125; Guidlers, demand. 425; cables. 425; Lires, demand.
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NONE OF THAW'S MONEY WILL RUIN EVELYN'S SON

to the World.

Merchantman Can't Be Pre-

sumed To Be a Warship.

Washington, April 26 .- A statemen

General Manager of the Santa New Orleans, April 26 .- "My sor Fe's Eastern Lines noney," said Evelyn Thaw today,
'A boy given money is placed on
he road to culn I shall make no
ffort to establish his legitimacy.

Made Member of Committee to Negotiate With Employees.

C. W. Kouns, general manager of the Eastern lines of the Atchison, To-peka & Sants Fe railway, has been appointed a member of the general conference committee of railways in President Outlines U. S. Policy





Major George D. Sherman and Mrs. Loretta Montanye.

"I couldn't speak; his kisses smothered mel" testified Mrs Loretts Montanye, of Geneva, Ill., in her breach of promise action against Major George D Sherman, aged 75. The widow told a story of torrid love, but admitted the major had not promised to marry her until after the death of his sister. The sister is still living, so the case was dismissed.

ANGERED BY RED NECKTIE BULL KILLS ILLINOIS MAN

Aurora, Ill., April 26.—A bull, enraged at the sight of a red neck-tic worn by John Phail at Geneva, chased the man and gored him to death as he tried to climb a fence. The animal trampled on the man after he had fallen to the ground.

WAS A DRY WEEK

Weather Bureau Report.

Crops and Fruit Meet With Fair Conditions.

Very little rain fell in Kansas this week except in the extreme northern counties, where there were moderately heavy showers, says the summary of the week's weather furnished by the local weather bureau. The ground has been in fine shape for plowing and seeding except in the eastern third of the state, from the Kansas river valley to the Oklahoma line, where it is still too wet.

and Kept Him.

At 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon the State Journal received a tip that Fred Bissell knew more about the murder of Edna Dinsmore than he would tell. Just where this came from it would not now be policy to tell, but the tip was sufficient to start three men to

the state, from the Kansas river valley to the Oklahoma line, where it is still too wet.

It was cooler than either of the two preceding weeks, though temperatures were still above the seasonal average, and the growth of crops has been slow in comparison with the progress they made two and three weeks ago. There was a light freeze in the extreme west, remained to the comparison of the conference committee of the Conference committee of American Railways.

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HOW BISSELL

State Journal Reporters First to Trail Him Down.

They Turned the Suspect Over to Sheriff Kiene.

the United States, according to advices which he received this morning. Little Rain in Kansas, Says SOON WAS TURNED LOOSE

Again the Newspaper Men Got Busy on Case.

This Time the Police Got Him



For Sale to Ladies

5000 Pairs Ladies' High Grade SHOES Such as WALK-OVERS. Drew Selbys-both high and low cut, Pumps, Colonials -shoes worth up to \$5.00 and \$6.00. Your choice THURSDAY....

620 AND 622 KANSAS AVE

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suspicious actions of a man he had just seen half a block away. He said he had seen the man walk past the corner three times without looking at the crowd gathered around the house.

"Carl Goff and I jumped into the police car and followed the informant's directions. A block and a half away we sighted Bissell walking along the sidewalk. We picked him up and brought him to the station and tried to get some information out of him."

At that time Parsons agave Bissell as physical examination. He found nothing to indicate that he had committed the assault and he turned him loose. However, he discovered at that time that Bissell was not normally developed.

Chief Parsons, "We already know that he has been leading up to this for some time. He has been petulos.

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The father of Mrs Dinsmore told of trouble Mrs. Dinsmore told of trouble Mrs. Dinsm

and cookies.

Had Been Petting the Child.

"We have verified all that," said
Chief Parsons, "We already know
that he has been leading up to this
for some time. He has been petting
the child and making her believe that
he was a sort of big brother."

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